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Mr. Derek Sublette Manager, Government Relations Norfolk Southern Corporation 101 W. Ohio Street, Suite 2000 Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Derek,

I am writing on behalf of the Town of New Carlisle, Indiana. As you know, the Town contacted my Senate Office because the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) is in the midst of a dewatering project on U.S. 20 that recently came to a halt because of concerns that their work may affect the integrity of the viaduct. According to the Town, the delay of the project beyond the initial expected closure timeframe of 30 days has had an adverse impact on responding to emergency services' calls and fewer customers at local businesses.

From my past interaction with Norfolk Southern, I know that the company is committed to maintaining high safety standards, developing strong community relations, and working together to produce results that are best for our communities and the railroad.

I respectfully request that Norfolk Southern works to resolve any issues that are preventing the continuation of work on U.S. 20 in a timely and safe manner consistent with U.S. law and public policy. I would also appreciate being kept informed as the work continues. Should you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact my Regional Director, Lauren Varga, at 574-288-2780 or by email at lauren varga@donnelly.senate.gov.

Joe Donnelly

United States Senator